GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA

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ACCESSIBILITY OF MONUMENTS FOR PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS TOURISTS
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the name of A.S.I monuments accessible to physically handicapped persons/tourists;

(b) the type of facilities being provided there and proposed to be upgraded in this regard and if not, the reasons therefore;

(c) whether the Archaeological Survey of India has decided to provide ramps for them in this regard ;

(d) if so, the name of monuments in which the A.S.I. propose to provide the said facility; and

(e) the measures proposed to be taken to ensure that the ramps and other structures created for the purposes of accessibility should not affect the sanctity of the monument or appear to destroy its visual appeal?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR)

(a)& (b) 16 World Heritage Monuments & 18 other monuments as per Annexure-I hasbeen identified for upgradation of tourist facilities equipped with specially designed toilet approachable by a wheel chair in addition to a separate path-way at the entrance gate to facilitate entry of physically handicapped visitors on wheel chairs.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Details are given as per list in Annexure-I.

(e) While providing these facilities to the physically handicapped visitors on centrally protected monuments, it will be ensured that these do not disturb the aesthetics of the monument.

ANNEXURE-I

LIST OF CENTRALLY PROTECTED MONUMENTS IDENTIFIED FOR UPGRADATION

SL.NO. NAME OF MONUMENT/SITE STATE

LIST OF WORLD HERITAGE MONUMENTS

1. Taj Mahal Uttar Pradesh

2. Agra Fort Uttar Pradesh

3. Fatehpur Sikri Uttar Pradesh

4. Ajanta Caves Maharashtra

5. Ellora Caves Maharashtra
6. Elephanta Caves Maharashtra

7 Group of Monuments at Hampi Karnataka

8. Group of Monuments at Pattadakkal Karnataka

9. Sun Temple at Konarak Orissa
10. Group of Monuments at Khajuraho Madhya Pradesh
11. Group of Monuments at Sanchi Madhya Pradesh
12. Churches & Convents of Goa Daman
13. Brihadiswara Temple at Thanjavur Tamil Nadu
14. Group of Monuments, Mamallapuram Tamil Nadu
15. Qutab Minar Delhi
16. Humayun`s tomb Delhi

LIST OF OTHER MONUMENTS

1. Golconda Fort Andhra Pradesh

2. Group of Monuments, Sibsagar Assam

3. Remains of Bhishmak Nagar Arunachal Pradesh

4. Nalanda Bihar

5. Red Fort Delhi
6. Fort & Churches Daman

7 Rani-ki-Vav, Patan Gujarat

8. Sheikh Chillis Tomb, Distt.Kurukshetra Haryana

9. Kangra Fort, Kangra Himachal Pradesh
11. Hemis Gompa Jammu & Kashmir
11. Bekal Fort Kerala
12. Temple of Vishnu, Bishnupur Manipur
13. Stone Memorial of Narting Meghalaya
14. Dimapur Fort Nagaland
15. Mughal Sarai Dakhni,Distt.Jalandhar Punjab
16. Chittorgarh Fort Rajasthan
17 Unakoti Tripura
18. Hazarduari Palace, Murshidabad West Bengal